

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Serial No.: 10/781,080 ) Art Unit: 2476  
Filed: February 17, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 1840  
For: Multiple Redundancy Schemes In )  
An Optical Network )  
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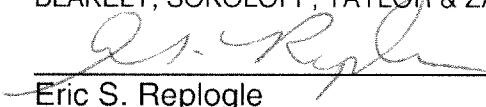
**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants are assuming that the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance is to be taken in light of the structure and interaction recited in the claims. Applicants note that the Examiner's various comments should not be used to read non-existent limitations into the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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